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To: Commissioner for Patents
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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: K. SHIMADA et al (see attached)

For:
STORAGE HAVING LOGICAL PARTITIONING CAPABILITY
AND SYSTEMS WHICH INCLUDE THE STORAGE

Enclosed are:

9 Sheets of Drawings
 This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.
 Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2003-362750 (which is hereby filed October 23, 2003). A certified copy is attached herewith. incorporated by reference
 Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and discussed in the specification or attached Information Disclosure Statement.
 Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is hereby claimed.
 Specification: Abstract X, Description 37 pages; and 18 claim(s).
 Preliminary Amendment.
 Executed Declaration.

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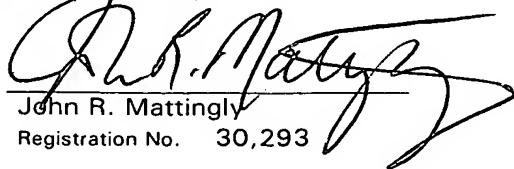
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Respectfully Submitted,

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